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SUBJECT: PM CARAMANLIS SATISFIED WITH ARMED FORCES
PREPAREDNESS

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1. FOLLOWING MEETING AUGUST 11 AND AUGUST 12 OF
ARMED FORCES LEADERSHIP WITH PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTERS
OF DEFENSE AND PUBLIC ORDER, GOG ISSUED BRIEF STATEMENT
INDICATING CARAMANLIS, SATISFACTION WITH EXCELLENT STATE
OF PREPAREDNESS AND HIGH MORALE OF ARMED FORCES. SEMI-
OFFICIAL ATHENS NEWS AGENCY REPORTED THAT DURING AUGUST 12
THREE-HOUR MEETING SHAFB BONANOS AND CHIEFS OF THREE
SERVICES REPLIED IN DETAIL TO QUESTIONS RAISED BY
CARAMANLIS. (NOTE: GOG STATEMENT SEEMS CALCULATED TO
HAVE REASSURING EFFECT ON PUBLIC WHICH CONTINUES TO
MANIFEST RESTIVENESS AS RESULT OF WEEKEND MILITARY
MOVEMENTS AND LACK OF PROGRESS IN GENEVA).

2. IN SEPARATE DEVELOPMENT MINISTER OF PUBLIC ORDER
SOLON GHIKAS RELEASED CIRCULAR AUGUST 12 TO REMIND
GREEKS THAT MARTIAL LAW STILL OBTAINS AND THUS PUBLIC
RALLIES INDOORS OR OUTSIDE CONTINUE TO BE PROHIBITED.

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(NOTE: TIMING OF MINISTRY'S CIRCULAR MAY BE RELATED TO
ANDREAS PAPANDREOU'S EXPECTED ARRIVAL AUGUST 19 AND
NEWS REPORTS OF DEMONSTRATIONS PLANNED TO CELEBRATE
HIS ARRIVAL.)
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